

See new photo-quality renderings of the proposed new library!

NEW HAYWARD LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER



IMPORTANT PUBLIC MEETING

TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2013, 7:00 P.M.

@ HAYWARD CITY HALL, 777 "B" STREET

(One block from Hayward BART - free parking in city garage on Watkins St.)

HAYWARD CITY COUNCIL

**** PUBLIC COMMENTS WELCOMED ****

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!

Arrive early (6:45) and sign up to
make a public comment

For more information, see back of flyer
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A NEW LIBRARY & COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER FOR HAYWARD

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

www.library.hayward-ca.gov

Why does Hayward need a new library?

Hayward has far outgrown its existing library. When the present Hayward Main Library was built in 1951, Hayward had a population of 14,000 people. Today, the city of Hayward is the Bay Area's fifth largest city, a bustling and diverse community of nearly 150,000 people. According to a comprehensive analysis of Hayward's library facilities in 2008, Hayward's current 1950's-era main library building is "extremely deficient" and "lacks the capacity and infrastructure to accommodate the current volume and future population growth."

Though it is among the largest and most populous cities in the region, Hayward's libraries are by far the smallest of any jurisdiction in the Bay Area when measured by square feet per capita. In fact, Hayward's libraries are among the very smallest in the entire State of California. Visit our website and click "New Library FAQ" to see the chart: www.library.hayward-ca.gov.

Have other nearby communities built new libraries recently?

Several Bay Area communities have built new libraries since the year 2000, including: Castro Valley, San Leandro, Dublin, Livermore, Milpitas, Alameda, Berkeley, Oakland, Santa Clara, San Jose, San Francisco, Walnut Creek, Lafayette, Los Gatos, Palo Alto, Redwood City, and San Mateo, among others.

Where will Hayward's new Library & Community Learning Center be located?

On the corner of C Street and Mission Boulevard in downtown Hayward, between the post office and City parking garage (currently the site of a municipal parking lot), and across the street from Hayward's historic central park.

Why not simply expand the old library?

Expanding the old library would present significant and costly challenges to bring the old structure up to current building and seismic safety standards, and still would not provide the amount of space needed to accommodate Hayward's current and future needs. The historic park where the library is currently located is densely filled with mature century-old trees dating back to the founding days of Hayward. To expand or build a large enough library on the historic park site would require the removal of numerous mature and historic trees.

Will the new building be "green" and energy-efficient?

Yes! Hayward's new Library & Community Learning Center will be built to LEED Gold Certification (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design) standards at a minimum, and if possible, to LEED Platinum. Among the many energy-efficient features of the new building will be rooftop solar panels to offset the energy needs of the building. Initial analysis indicates that with current solar technology it may be possible to power the entire building with free energy from the sun, saving millions of dollars in energy costs.

How can I get involved?

The next public meeting to review the new building design will be **Tuesday, July 16 at 7:00 pm at Hayward City Hall**, where the City Council will review photo-quality renderings of the new Library & Community Learning Center. For more information about this meeting and how to get involved, visit our website and click "New Library FAQ": www.library.hayward-ca.gov.

SAVE THE DATE: Join us for an important public meeting to review and discuss this exciting project! Tuesday, July 16, 7:00 p.m. in Hayward City Council Chambers, 777 B Street (one block from Hayward BART). Public comments are welcomed -- we want to hear from you! Visit www.library.hayward-ca.gov for more information.